27th November 1952]

Allegations against the Taluk Supply Officer, Guntur.

* 182 Q.—SRI T. VISWANATHAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased state— 11 a.m.

(a) whether a representation, dated 18th August 1952, from D. Venkanna of Guntur, was received by the Government complaining about the misconduct of the Taluk Supply Officer at Guntur in connection with the distribution of quotas to fair price shop-keepers and his collection of contributions from them for private purposes; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM:—" (a) Yes. A petition was received on 7th September 1952. An anonymous petition containing similar allegations against the same Taluk Supply Officer was received by the Collector on 22nd August 1952.

" (b) An enquiry was made by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Guntur, regarding the allegation made against the Taluk Supply Officer. It was found that the quotas were increased to only one fair price shop because the adjoining one was not functioning for several weeks and as such the requirements of both the shops had to be given to one. It was also found that there was no basis for the other allegation in the petition that the Taluk Supply Officer is taking bribes to build a house."

SRI A. VENKATARAMA RAJU:—" గత మూడు మాసములలో టి. ఎస్. ఓ. లు చేస్తున్న పనుల గురించి ఏదైనా రిపోర్టు వచ్చినదా? వచ్చినట్లయితే దానిమీద ప్రభుత్వంవారు తీసుకొన్న చర్య ఏమిటి? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM:—" Notice, Sir."

Promotion of Harijans as Tahsildars.

* 183 Q.—SRI P. VENKATASUBBIAH (on behalf of Sri M. Rajeswara Rao): Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether there are any Harijans qualified for promotion as Tahsildars in the West Godavari district who could not be promoted due to want of vacancies; and

(b) whether there is any rule to the effect that where there are no vacancies of Tahsildars in any district, persons qualified for those posts in that district may be posted to other districts where there are vacancies?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" (a) There is no case of any Harijan who could not be promoted as Tahsildar due to want of vacancies in the West Godavari district.

" (b) There is no such rule."